

Exponential Functions Revisited

Learning Objectives

- Exponential Functions
 - Function output changes at a proportional rate
 - Defn = Functions of the form $f(x) = ab^x$
 - Finding the formula of an exponential function from a table
 - Increasing (at an increasing rate) vs decreasing (at an increasing rate) exponentials
- Modeling with Exponential Functions Revisited
 - Modeling cooling coffee with $f(x) = ab^x + c$
 - Vertical shift from $+c$
 - Defining longterm (end) behavior, introducing arrows to infinity
 - Discusses concavity of exponentials
- The Special Number e
 - Varying b in b^t is a horizontal scaling
 - Definition of e
 - Average rate of change of e^t approaches the function value
 - $f(t) = e^t$ is invertible. Name its inverse $f(t) = \ln(t)$